



2012 "VOLUNTEERS WORKING WITH INVASIVES" GRANTS REPORT FORM

Display Report

PROJECT BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Project Title:	Invasive Species Management with Volunteers	
Region: Use region number ONLY	1	
Station:	Willamette Valley NWRC	
Contact Person: Name and Phone Number	Jock Beall (541)757-7236	
Project Description: (Up to 250 words)	Volunteers worked with refuge staff to survey for and treat invasive species on the Willamette Valley Refuges (Ankeny, Baskett Slough and WL Finley NWR). Over 600 acres were treated for invasives and 35 acres were replanted with native grasses/forbs. An additional 800 acres were surveyed and/or monitored with detection and future treatments as the objective.	
List of Invasives Species Targeted:	Common Name	Scientific Name
	False Brome	
	Armenian Blackberry	
	English Ivy	
	Tansy Ragwort	
	Scotch Broom	
	Common Burdock	
	Teasel	
	Canada Thistle	
Project Status:	InProgress	
Project Completion Date or Estimated Completion Date: (mm/dd/yyyy)	11/30/2012	

VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

Volunteer Affiliation: (Check all that apply)	VA_FriendsGrp	VA_Scouts	VA_SchoolGrp	VA_Other
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Volunteer Involvement: Describe the type of work the volunteers performed. (Up to 150 words)	Volunteers assisted staff surveying and documenting target invasives w/in specific habitats. Invasives were hand pulled or treated mechanically and/or with herbicide. Natives were planted and seeded in treated areas.
Total Number of Volunteers:	126
Total Number of Volunteer Hours:	866
Partnerships: List both new and existing partnerships utilized in this project. (Up to 150 words).	Monroe Teen Weed Spotters (Benton County SWCD, Institute for Applied Ecology), OSU Natural Resource Summer Camp, Grand Ronde youth crew, Salem Boys and Girls Club, Refuge volunteers.

PROJECT RESULTS

Project Results: Give an overview of the results of the project. Include quantifiable measure of success, such as maps produced, efficacy of control measures, number of sites where invasions were detected early and responded to, number of community contacts, etc. (Up to 250 words).	False brome was mapped using GPS, enabling refuge staff to locate and treat plants along a hiking trail. Blackberry was hand cut in a native restoration unit to allow for future chemical treatment of smaller plants. Ivy was pulled in a riparian area allowing natives to regenerate where removed. Native plants were seeded and planted in various oak restoration sites. Trees planted by volunteers were maintained by mowing invasives around them.
Number of Acres Treated:	200
Number of Acres Inventoried and/or Mapped:	300
Number of Acres Restored:	50

BUDGET INFORMATION

Budget: Account for funds in broad categories such as equipment, volunteer stipends, travel, coordinator salary/contract, etc.

Total Grant Amount:	\$ \$14,000
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Breakdown of Expenditures:

Category	Total \$ Spent	% of Total Grant
Equipment / Supplies	500	4%
Chemical	1000	7%
Biocontrol Agents		
Travel		
Volunteer Stipends		
Volunteer Coordinator Salary/Contract	12,000	85%
Restoration Materials	500	4%
Other		
TOTAL	14,000	

Recommendations: (OPTIONAL) How useful was this program for meeting refuge invasive species objectives and how can it be improved?	This program is invaluable to cover costs of staff that serve as volunteer/project coordinator. It also allows the refuge to maintain emphasis on invasive management, and promote that with the public as well as support meaningful volunteer efforts, with accomplishments that would not otherwise be completed.
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